

THE HUMMER

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Good Things for Chickasaw County.

Here are a few things that The Hummer would like to see happen in this county?

First, we would rejoice in a better spirit of co-operation—a better get together of oneness to make the upbuilding of our homes and people loom large on the field of achievement.

Second, we would rejoice in the complete cleansing of all side streets, back yards, front yards and out houses. Also in the application of white wash to the barns and other buildings all over the county.

Third, that we would be glad to see more blooded cattle graze the pastures; more horses and more hogs; more sheep and more chickens.

Fourth, we would like to see more grain raised and more silos builded, for in these lie the conquest of high prices.

Fifth, we would like to see more people read more books and magazines and also be glad to see the people THINK for themselves.

Sixth, we want to see Chickasaw prosper—to be the banner county of the state in corn clubs and prize winners—to be the leader in every movement for uplift—to be FIRST in every worthy undertaking—to be happy in health and happy in our homes.

And seventh, we would sincerely desire that our county HELP the star of our state twinkle brighter and brighter for the proud gloom of MISSISSIPPI.

Our Drainage System.

Good roads and good canals are the LIFE of any county or any state! Did you ever see a mud hole town that was energetic and prosperous? Of course not, for bad roads and good towns don't mix.

The eyes of the world always rest on the county of good roads and good canals. The people outside KNOW that the people inside reflect their energy and constructive personalities on the road, drainage and building improvements.

Before the canals were builded in Chickasaw county many of the people were against the taxation necessary to begin the work. But they were finally cut and NOW the farmers are being repaid by the quick rush of the waters to the big river. Heretofore the back water drowned the cotton and corn and all had to be planted over. Isn't it great now that the farmers can plow by these canals just a few days after a big flood?

A farmer who lives out of the canal district was lamenting the big rain few days ago and wishing for the water to hurry off his young corn. Last year he was against canals in his district but now WANTS them "teeth and toenail." He was too late saying "I'd give a dozen dollars to get that back water off my stuff right now." Nothing is worth anything until you work and pay for it. So this idea of some people who say that it will make their children poor to pay for these canals is all wrong. That part about the children doesn't come very strong from the heart—it is just pure "don't want it." If the daddies don't get a hustle on them the children will and so let's all get together for better drainage in Chickasaw.

The Ferguson-Palmer Lumber Company.

Located just a few hundred yards west of Houlika is the best hardwood manufacturing plant in North Mississippi. Thousands of feet of fine lumber cover the big yard in street wise stacks and other thousands of feet are ready to be rushed through the lightning band saw of finest steel.

Messrs Ferguson and Palmer come down quite often from Paducah to look over the affairs of the mill in the town and in the timber. Mr. Donald Palmer stays on the job at Houlika every minute and is hoping to soon run the mill to its full capacity every day of the week. All three are good men—men of hustle and vim—men who are doing things for Houlika that cannot be estimated in dollars. Their desire to cut up the land in the bottom west of Houlika into forties and eighties and sell to homesteaders is a great HELP to the town. With the canal and with settlers coming in it will be the best agricultural and cattle country in the south. They deserve much credit for their enterprise and desire to make the country worth while. Hand them a good word—make the chance to do so NOW. Let them know that we appreciate their efforts to supply Houlika with LIFE.

If Uncle Sam should fight Germany "Walk-over" shoes would fit him nicely.

Good roads MUST be builded all over the state or the state will enter the column of back numbers.

To Fight or Not to Fight--- That is the Question.

Immediately after the sinking of the Lusitania by the German submarines a cry arose to FIGHT—to show'em a thing or two—to show'em what kind of a trigger Uncle Sam could pull.

Since the facts in the case have come before the people it seems that the United States would NOT be justified in declaring war on Germany.

Knowing that the Lusitania carried cartridges, powder and other contraband of war, the German Embassy at Washington warned the passengers NOT to go. So since England was trying to starve Germany it was natural that German submarines should be on the lookout for English ships.

But the people who boarded the ship ignored the warning and therefore! They risked their lives and many of the passengers jollied over the adventure.

President Wilson's speech at Philadelphia told the whole story in a nut shell. No man could have said it better and he said it well. Thousande cheered him time after time evidencing the popularity of the President's views.

The biggest thinkers of the country are daily sending messages of confidence to Wilson and assuring him of their strict obedience to his final decision. The nation as a whole believes that he is eminently able to successfully cope with the situation—why should we, down here in the south worry about it? As it is, our pocketbooks are not effected and it would look gloomy if the tax payers had to dish out millions just to avenge the death of 120 adventuresome and rich Americans. Why should we fight for 120 who DARED DEATH?

Think of the pensions—the expense—the graft that would inevitably come from war. Uncle Sam has lived thru this war so far and he can live thru the rest of it until the end. If we should fight, Germany would "holler" world wide war against her and forever hate America. England and France, Russia and Belgium will put enough dents in the Kaiser's crown to last them many dozen years so we need not worry over fighting for nothing. Those who want war would be kinder backward about volunteering or furnishing aid for equipment. Therefore with all confidence in the wisdom of Woodrow Wilson why shouldn't we let him decide this great question and happily abide by his judgment?

Hustling for Houston.

The Hummer has a great desire to HELP Houston, to be the Best town in the state. We want to see it grow into the realm of BUSINESS and of HAPPINESS.

We have the country and the people and a little addition in the get together column will put the town and county on a good foundation for efficient uplift. Volunteers are called now to their colors—will YOU join the HUMMERS for Houston and for Chickasaw county? Organize a business men's club and name it "The Chickasaw Boosters"—"The Houston Hummers" or "The Get Together Club." Let's get busy NOW and begin to advertise our resources. Have post cards made of the good roads, the canals, the court house of the factories and send them out to the world. Prepare a page of facts and figures concerning Houston and Chickasaw and after having a few thousand printed distribute them to the people to mail a copy in every letter that they write to their friends outside of the county.

There is land in the county that can't be beaten in any part of the state. Pastures abound in abundance and many thousand acres are yet ready to make good ranges for the blooded cattle that many of the prominent men of the county are enthusiastically bringing in for better breeding, better beef shipments and for future creameries all over this territory. It is a great idea and we would like to see every farmer own at least two cows of this blooded stock. Scrubs must get out for Chickasaw NOW wants the BEST and we must have the best to prosper as prosperity looks us square in the eye.

There is a better spirit among the people to shake hands with Brother Opportunity as the days go by and the grip is getting so interesting the good fellow is showing his hand to old and young, black and white. Nobody is ignored for he goes right in without knocking and it is up to us to entertain the gentlemen as we may. Feed him, clothe him and get into confidential communication with him night and day. Be a FRIEND to him NOW.

If another railroad comes thru Houston The Hummer is READY to boost it the best we can. We need the railroad and the railroad needs Houston. If the engineers decide to make Houston one of the big stations the town will do her part to get the right-of-way and a good place for a depot. There is good prospects for several factories soon to be looking for locations in Mississippi, why not get busy and land some of them? we are ready to help. We are anxious to see things moving and here's our hand for the upbuilding and general uplift of good old Chickasaw county. Will you help us HUM for Houston and CROW for Chickasaw? Come on NOW!!

We hope to see all of the Mississippi editors at West Point.

Announcements.

We are authorized to announce the following parties as candidates for the offices named, subject to the Democratic primary election.

For District Attorney.

R. H. KNOX

For State Senate

JOE H. FORD

E. E. THORNTON

N. W. BRADFORD

For Legislature

J. A. LEWIS

J. W. WINTER

W. F. BUCHANAN

E. M. VERELL

I. V. ABERNETHY

J. J. DAVIS

For Sheriff

B. M. SMITH

JOE L. DAVIS

J. LUNDY SMITH

R. F. BEASLEY

H. W. NELSON

For Chancery Clerk

W. A. WILKINSON

TOM H. JOHNSON

H. E. BRANNON

For Tax Assessor

JESSE GILLIAM

ROWLAND C. KIRBY

JOHN T. MARION

W. A. DENDY

W. J. WILLIAMS

J. A. HOBSON

ED ATKINSON

For Circuit Clerk

W. J. STACY

R. N. BOYD

EDD H. CENNAULT

J. W. NABORS

J. E. DAVIS

SAM A. HARRINGTON

For Treasurer.

P. W. SHELL

J. M. GRIFFIN

J. F. THOMPSON

For Superintendent of Education

GEORGE D. RILEY

For County Attorney

J. E. HARRINGTON

JEFF BUSBY

Supervisor, Beat 1

R. M. PEDEN

JIM NEAL

Bailiff, Beat 1

OSCAR A. BISHOP

J. R. NEAL

For Supervisor, Beat 2

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